

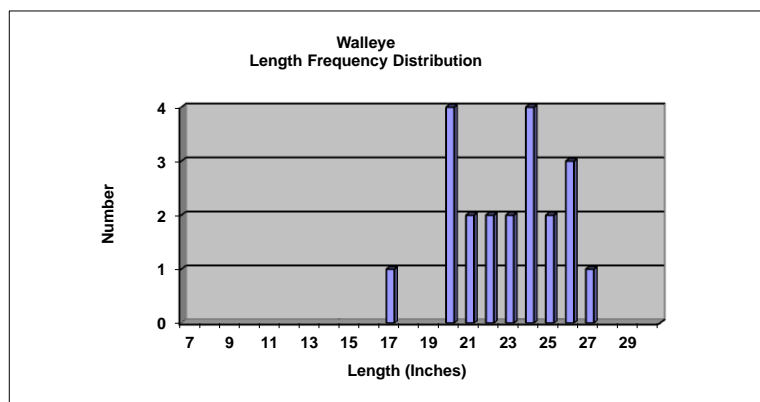


**WISCONSIN DNR
FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET
MATTHEWS LAKE, WASHBURN COUNTY, 2014**

The WDNR surveyed Matthews Lake, Washburn County from May 1st through May 4th 2014 to evaluate the walleye population. Matthews Lake is a 267 acre seepage lake and has a maximum depth of 27 feet. The fishery includes panfish, largemouth bass, northern pike, muskellunge and walleye. Matthews Lake has a low density remnant walleye population.



Walleye	
Total Captured	21
Avg. Length (in.)	22.9
Length Range (in.)	17-26
% >15"	100%



Other Species

Other species observed during this sampling but not included in this report were muskellunge and northern pike.

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Matthews Lake this year. Creel clerk Matt Kufahl will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

Stocking History

Year	Species	Number Fish Stocked	Avg Fish Length (IN)
2008	WALLEYE	9,670	1
2006	WALLEYE	9,185	2
2005	WALLEYE	8,198	3
2004	WALLEYE	13,145	1

A brief summary of selected fishing regulations is included below. While the regulatory information provided was current at the time the surveys were conducted, it is not comprehensive and should not be used as a substitute for the current fishing regulation pamphlet. You may obtain a copy of current fishing regulations when you purchase your fishing license, or download a copy from our web site at:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/regulations/>

General Fishing Regulations for Matthews Lake, Washburn County, 2014

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 03-March 01	5	15" MINIMUM
Largemouth Bass	May 03-March 01	5*	NO MINIMUM
Smallmouth Bass	May 03-March 01	5*	NO MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 24-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 03-March 01	5	NO MINIMUM

*During harvest season for each species; you are allowed a daily bag limit of five largemouth or smallmouth bass in total.

This report is interim only; data and findings should not be considered final. Results of creel surveys should be available by June of the year following the survey. If you are interested in a summary of the creel survey or want an update on this year's fyke netting and electrofishing survey results contact:

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To access other northern Wisconsin fisheries surveys go to:
<http://dnr.wi.gov> and search Ceded Territory Fisheries Reports

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